

CRAZY MAX tells yall to FUCK OFF!!! LATIN LOVER makes DEAN feel funny!!! GARY GOODRIDGE goes shopping for NUTS!!! T.C. BRIMSTONE on the STICK!!! and more stuff from FOGHAT

DEATH VALLEY DRIVER VIDEO REVIEW #98!

Welcome back to all which is right and good, DVDR FOGHAT is back like Mrs. Stein's herpes (1). We are doing footnotes this week to honor the publication of the new David Foster Wallace book "Brief Interviews with Hideous Men"(2) (3). This is a Lucha flavored issue as the Burr under the Saddle Phil Rippa comments on some early Organization of Modern Extreme Grappling Arts (4) and early Michinoku Pro (5), "The Man who would be Rev. Rey's Daddy but Dutch Mantel beat him up the steps" Phil Schneider analyzes some new Jack Michinoku Pro(6) and Los Reyes de Reyes(7) and the end all be all Mike Naimark discusses some Brazilian fightin (7) Plus we say goodbye to Owen Hart by looking at a handful of his greatest matches.

OMEGA (Handheld) - Samford, NC 11/8/97
(THE RIPPER)

In honor of the Hardy Boyz new found push, I decided to go back a review one of the earliest OMEGA shows (1). Cham Pain starts the show with a interview that basically serves the purpose of putting the Hardy's and their friends on notice. Cham Pain is coming to get them.

Ice vs. ???

I'm not sure who Ice's opponent is. It is some guy I have never seen before and the audio is really horrible at this point so I can't pick up on what Scott Sullivan is saying his name is. I think it is something like Mr. Puerto Rico but it could be Joey Buttafucio for all I know. Anyway, someone thought it would be a really great idea to stick two of the greenest guys around in the ring together. Unlike Ice though, Mr. Puerto Rico does nothing. Early Ice is truly a spot machine but when you do a Super Quebrada, a spilt-leg moonsault, a TommyKazie (2) and a corkscrew plancha I will have no complaints. Ice gets the victory and then both guys get attacked by Jeff Hardy alter-ego number 1 - Willow The Wisp. Willow says he recognizes talent and wants Ice to follow him. Ice refuses and DOESN'T get beaten up in the process. So much for that idea.

The Devastator w/ The Duke Of NY vs. Venom

This is the Duke of New York's (3) debut in OMEGA so he has to spend five minutes establishing himself as a heel. The Devastator is a big pasty white guy who stinks and Venom spends too much time selling for. The Devastator's offense consists of punch, kick and gasp for

air. Venom hit the BT bomb to end it. Willow the Wisp then returns. He fights with Venom before falling victim to the World's Greatest Chokeslam. (4)

Venom is then joined by "Surge" Matt Hardy. Matt talks about how he is going to take the OMEGA Heavyweight Title from Sweet Dreams tonight. The duo then slap a lot of hands. Yippee!

T.C. Brimstone/Bobby Burnette vs. Serial Thrillaz vs. Maximum Carnage (5)

It has been well documented about how we here at DVD FOGHAT hate T.C. Brimstone and Bob Burnette isn't much better. I had heard of Maximum Carnage so I was hoping that they, along with the truly great Serial Thrillaz, would kill Jake and The Fatman. No such luck. There is some story line as to why these teams hate each other but I don't know it. Brimstone/ Burnette brawl with Maximum Carnage to start the match and the early story is that the Serial Thrillaz are so bored they will do anything BUT tag into the match. (6) This whole opening segment stinks so I nap until Burnette accidentally hits Brimstone with a clothesline. Brimstone doesn't like it, the partners brawl with each other, get counted out and I start thanking many deities for their departure. Things pick up as Maximum Carnage does this awesome Total Elimination variation where one guy hits a spin kick while the other guy baseball slides the legs. This makes Helms Ricky Morton. He gets beat on for a few minutes and then turns it around by hitting an Ace Crusher. The end comes when Maverick reverses a crossbody block into a Michinkou Driver. The Serial Thrillaz hit their finisher and we call it a match.

Now since God hates me and has a sense of humor, Brimstone comes back out, gets on the STICK and takes 10 minutes to challenge Burnette to a match right then and there.

Brimstone vs. Burnette

I refuse to watch this match. WARP ONE, ENGAGE!

Kid Dynamo vs. Joey Matthews w/ The Duke of NY

These two truly are 14 here. They are so little. I mean Dynamo looks like he weighs about 60 pounds dripping wet - which is how he is making the young girls at ringside feel. Thank you, Thank You. I'll be here all week. Don't forget to tip your wait staff. Oh, back to the match. Matthews and Dynamo hit the way back machine and we are taken to 1987 and its the Mid South Coliseum. This was so old time southern wrestling. They trade working on various body parts, slowly building to more elaborate offensive sequences. Matthews and the Duke do nothing but cheat to get the crowd all riled up. There was some 90s stuff thrown in with Matthews trying things you can tell he has never done before like a horrible dropkick and a guillotine leg drop. Dynamo manages to knock himself out on some move. Oh well. Duke takes a baseball slide and in his grogginess, trips Matthews. Matthews is then ripe for a Ace Crusher out of a Fireman's Carry (7) and Dynamo wins. Black Skull then hits the ring and attacks Dynamo. The run-in is really weird though as after hitting a rana and falcon arrow Skull slaps on a chinlock. It takes me a couple of minutes but I finally realize that this is a match.

Black Skull vs. Kid Dynamo

This is some weird triangle match. But it gets even weirder when I realize that this match is a special "Frankensteiner Challenge". The wrestler who hits three ranas first wins. Now that is one of the goofiest things I have ever heard of. Anyhoo, Black Skull is up 1-0 thanks to the rana that was part of his run-in.. Dynamo evens the challenge up by reversing a running powerbomb. He then takes the lead by doing the Little Dragon backward jump rana thingy (8) a full year and a half before Little Dragon does it. Go figure. Skull evens it at two by hitting a rana out of a knuckle lock. This match is pretty cool in the aspect that it is neat to see all the ways these guys are hitting the ranas. One small point that I forgot to mention: Matthews and the Duke are still at ringside. Screwjob City Next Exit. Dynamo hits a rana on Black Skull but the ref doesn't see it because he is distracted by the Duke. Dynamo then gets crotched by Matthews and Skull hits a Super Frankensteiner for the win.

Cham Pain w/ Otto Schwanz vs. "Wolverine" Jeff Hardy

Jeff Hardy alter-ego number two. I have never seen Jeff and Cham Pain wrestle each other before but I know that they will really click. The race to see who will land on his head first has started. They start with a running of the ropes sequence which was neat that Jeff wins with a lariat. Jeff starts flying early as he hits a back splash for two and then misses a moonsault. Cham Pain then takes the lead by hitting the corkscrew plancha that lands pretty far away from the ring. Jeff, not to be outdone, hits an insanely out of control Shooting Star Press but there is no ref to count because he is too busy talking with Otto. Cham Pain then accidentally backdrops Jeff onto Otto. Hey, Otto is really bumping for someone who is not in the match. Jeff goes for a Super Quebrada that he has to no sell because Otto and Cham Pain weren't in position. (9) So Jeff, proving he is really insane, does the Quebrada again and hits. They both roll into the ring and Cham Pain clamps on a sleeper. Jeff counters with a roll up for the win. (10). Otto attacks for a little bit. Best match of the night.

"Surge" Matt Hardy vs. Sweet Dreams

Matt comes out first but Sweet Dreams is nowhere to be found. Cham Pain wanders out, mumbles something about having Power of Attorney. He then for says that Matt is going to wrestle "his boy" Otto Schwanz for the OMEGA Heavyweight title "Surge" Matt Hardy vs. Otto Schwanz. Well, it has taken Otto a while to get better and I had to remember that this as 1997 when I watched this match. Matt makes this affair watchable by taking Otto by the hand and leading to a decent showing. There was just too much stalling and resting for my tastes. Matt does most of the selling to make Otto look better which is fine. Generally, story is that Matt had to counter Otto's power with his speed and quickness. He also has to fight off the outside interference of Cham Pain. Pretty much paint by the numbers. Matt takes a page out of his brother's book by doing a rolling senton which was a nice little homage. More Cham Pain nonsense. Matt hits the MEGAHURTZ but Cham Pain interferes for the DQ. Venom and Jeff Hardy make the save and the crowd goes home happy.

Not the best OMEGA card I have seen. The Cham Pain/Wolverine match is really good though.

SHOOT NAIMARK SHOOT!

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International Vale Tudo Championships
June '97

From SporTV in Brazil, 4 North Americans against 4 local Chupacabras in an event under the sparsest of

Vale Tudo rules; no morder, nos enfiar os dedos nos olhos! I nod my head in glazed agreement. This event

takes place in front of an ECW-sized crowd inside a boxing ring. Apparently trying to avoid the 'diving' often seen in boxing-ring MMA events, the promoter has run a net between the bottom rope and the ring apron to prevent fighters from tumbling out of the ring. As they say in Brazil, 'Necessity is the mother of dumb ideas'.

Quarter Finals

Gary 'Big Daddy' Goodridge (1.78M 114Kg, Kuk-Sool-Wan) v Augusto Santos (1.95M 93Kg kickboxing)

Hey, its the hulking frame of 'Big Daddy' Goodridge! Gary is a Canadian behemoth possessing Ahmed Johnson's body, but thankfully not Ahmed's mumble-mouthed mic skills. "My expectations for this? Pain for everybody in my path", he glowers in his pre-match interview. Match starts out immediately with a quick grappling sequence in the middle of the ring. Goodridge tries for a guillotine choke, but no self-respecting Brazilian gets choked out one minute into a match. Augusto deftly uses the usual counters for the standing guillotine, tucking his chin, squatting slightly to protect the throat. Ah yes, business as usual against another oversized and under talented North American chump..... Then Goodridge drops the choke and grabs an overhead crucifix, cranking the hold for just a moment before launching Santos in what can only be described as a sloppy butterfly suplex. Once on the ground, Big Daddy uses his enormous arms (2) and make Santos' shoulder blades touch each other as poor Augusto vainly tries to tap with both of his hands waving in the air.

Winner by submission, 'Big Daddy' Goodridge!

Cal Worsham (1.8M 93Kg, TKD) v Aluisio Neto (1.8M 91Kg, Capoeira)

Remember Cal Worsham? UFC6? Cal gets DVD favorite Paul Varelans in the first round and goes toe-to-toe with the 6'9 320lb goof until 'Big Show' Varelans landed the Big Elbow to send Cal to dreamland(3). Neto defends the unique style of Capoeira, a form of South American fighting that combines

offensive assault with sweeping gestures, leading to fighters who seem to be dancing while they're kicking your ass. Worsham charges with a big right hand which almost sends him out of the ring when it misses. Neto shoots low, but Worsham is able to land some crisp punches as he backs away from trouble. Worsham leans in to the kneeling Neto and grabs the front guillotine position. Neto charges to force Worsham to the ropes, but Cal just drops to his back and cranks the choke with his hips. Neto reluctantly taps and literally hangs his head in shame. Winner by submission, Cal Worsham!

Brian Keck (1.86M 120Kg wrestling) v The Pedro (1.9M 110Kg LutaLivre)

That's right, 'The' Pedro, Vale Tudo's most lovable rudo is in the tournament. Pedro is renowned for his acts of heelishness in the fight ring, including stepping on the heads of defeated opponents and spitting on the opposing corner men. Pedro has a rather unspectacular physique, and his technique isn't something to get excited about, but he almost always finds a way to win. Keck is some big meatball wrestler, probably originating from the Mark Coleman's Hammer House, if the announcer's gushing over Coleman is any indication(4). He looks like Louie Anderson with an attitude. Keck does the usual wrestler opening, bulling Pedro into the corner with his massive bulk. Pedro tries several trips to get to the mat, but Keck has too much strength and balance. Pedro continues with trip attempts, and damn if Keck doesn't look gassed already. Keck finally drags Pedro to the mat, and almost gets triangled in the first 20 seconds. He counters with slaps and hammer fists, which force Pedro to flip to his stomach and expose his back to avoid the blows. Now, against a skilled and experienced ground fight, this would be bordering on suicide, but against a Rasmussenesque load like Keck its good strategy. Keck slaps and mauls Pedro, but after absorbing a few shots, Pedro outmaneuvers the wrestler and returns to his feet, drawing a huge pop from the crowd. Keck again bulls Pedro back into a corner, and is clearly sucking Hellwigian amounts of wind now. Pedro glances around the ring and finds the video camera, prompting him to wink and give a big 'thumbs up' to all his fans in TV Land. Pedro drops a few short lefts at Keck, who insists on hanging on to Pedro's waist and panting. Pedro pushes Keck away and lands more punches while Keck misses badly with a wild counterpunch. Pedro leaps on his off-balance foe and drives him to the mat, sliding easily into a rear naked choke. As Pedro is attempting to get his forearm under Keck's many chins, Keck taps. I suppose he was thinking, "Geez, I can't even breathe NOW, and he hasn't started to choke yet!" Winner by submission, The Pedro!

John Gnap (1.8M 100Kg, wrestling/KSW) v Andre Cardoso (1.9M 100Kg Jiu-Jitsu, Boxing)

Anyone remember a game called, 'Gnip-Gnop'? Ping pong spelled backwards, ya know, you volleyed a ball across a plastic box through a 'net' with big holes. Something like that anyways. Andre Cardoso looks suspiciously like Konnan. Orale! I'd wager he hasn't tossed a salad outside of his own kitchen, but I wouldn't dare ask. Gnap does a quick shoot but Cardoso easily fends it off with nice punches. Gnap lunges and grab the single-leg, forcing Cardoso to sprawl before winding up and delivering a brutal kneestrike to the head that sends Gnap staggering to the corner. The Brazilian quickly follows up with a pair of solid kicks to the head of his dazed opponent, forcing the referee to stop the match before Gnap gets knocked silly. Winner is a cakewalk, Andre Cardoso!

SEMI FINALS

Gary 'Big Daddy' Goodridge v Cal Worsham

Two North Americans in one bracket, two Brazilians in the other. Talk about brilliant booking! I'd have Goodridge beat everybody until Rickson Gracie's 'Real Brazilian' music plays and he runs to the ring to submit Big Daddy in 30 seconds, after which Rickson would be awarded the IVT trophy and prize money.

But back to the real world, where Goodridge grabs a waistlock and hurls Worsham to the ground. Working from the guard, Big Daddy deftly escapes to side-mount where he appears to be grinding an elbow into Worsham's throat. Worsham taps so quickly that the fans are up in arms, probably screaming 'Fix' in Portuguese. (5) Winner and finalist, Gary 'Big Daddy' Goodridge!

The Pedro v Andre Cardoso

The men circle cautiously in the early moments, with Cardoso landing a few solid whip kicks to the leg and Pedro missing badly with his counters. Andre seems to be the quicker and stronger fighter in these early exchanges. They grapple to the ropes where Cardoso manages to take Pedro down with a waistlock and quickly advances to the mounted position! Pedro immediately gives up his back, prompting Cardoso to go for the rear-naked choke, as any self-respecting Brazilian would. Pedro smells it coming and slips into Cardoso's guard by pulling the younger man over his shoulder and maintaining hand control (6) Pedro takes this opportunity to stall and catch his breath in the guard(7). Pedro throws the occasional head butt and forearm, and after close to 7 minutes of this sporadic action, Cardoso has a split lip and bloody nose. Pedro has actually managed to maneuver Cardoso's head so that it is under the bottom rope and covered with the 'protective' net. Brilliant idea, Mr Promoter sir, simply brilliant. His foe distracted. Pedro backs out of the guard and slaps on a quick kneebar for the submission. Winner by tap- out, 'The' Pedro!

FINAL MATCH

Gary 'Big Daddy' Goodridge v 'The' Pedro

Man, that Goodridge is one scary looking dude. Hearing him talk breaking the illusion because he's quite

well-spoken and prone to peppering his interviews with such thuggish statements as, "If, in fact, you advance to fight me" and "Perhaps you've underestimated my abilities". Goodridge opens up with a flurry of wild punches (8), most of them missing but still having enough raw power to knock Pedro to the ropes. Goodridge goes for the overhead crucifix again, and somewhere an aged but unbowed Gordon Solie makes a comment about "Going to the well once too often" as Pedro counters with a trip, landing squarely in Big Daddy's guard. Pedro advances to half-guard and begins to smack Goodridge soundly on his ears, which hurts like you wouldn't believe. Goodridge tries to hold Pedro's head close to his chest and prevent him from rearing back to throw punches, but finally manages to use his brute strength to reverse positions in a classic wrestling 'elevator'. Goodridge throws the bombs, but can't connect cleanly before Pedro flips over and gives up his back. Goodridge quickly recalls what he's seen from his backstage seat at the UFC and tries for one of those fancy-pants rear-naked thingies, but Pedro's defense of the choke is too sophisticated for Big Daddy's limited skills. Goodridge actually tries the 'Goozle', or trachea choke, but Big Daddy is no Meng! Pedro quickly rolls out and winds up in the guard, prompting Goodridge to give up his back to the wily veteran; Goodridge is too thick across the shoulders for Pedro to keep his balance, and swiftly gets shrugged off by Big Daddy. Goodridge gets the side-mount on Pedro and looks to catch his breath. Goodridge throws some elbow strikes to the kidneys, which will undoubtedly have Pedro whizzing Cherry Kool-Aid for the next two weeks. Pedro turns and gives up his back again, but when Goodridge tries to advance from side-mount to rear mount, Pedro catches him mid-step and forces him to his back, with Pedro now in the guard. The crowd pops big for this sequence, and Big Daddy is looking visibly winded at this point. Some minor punches are exchanged when I notice that Gary Goodridge has for some reason placed his left foot *inside* of The Pedro's Speedo trunks. As Pedro tries to maintain position, Goodridge soon has his entire foot deeply buried in Pedro's trunks, bringing the front waistband all the way down below the crotch. Pedro clumsily tries to stand and back away, and WOAHH NELLIE! We get a far-too-detailed glimpse of 'Little Pedro and the Twins' popping out for a quick look-see, undoubtedly prompting much freeze-framing and frame-grabbing from Pedrophiles worldwide(9). In a surreal twist, The Brazilian Pedro stands above Goodridge and refuses to return to the ground with that foot-fetishist, while Canadian Goodridge lies on his back and beckons Pedro to come to the ground with him so his can stick his big toe up his anus. After a few minutes of this stalling, the referee forces Goodridge to stand and both men get a quick chat with their respective corners. On the restart, the men grapple standing as Big Daddy forces the Brazilian into the corner. Suddenly, Pedro winces graphically and keels over in pain, turning his back on Goodridge and stumbling to the center of the ring. Goodridge pursues with vigor and tackles Pedro as the fans jeer and boo roundly. Goodridge lands a massive elbow strike from the side mount and follows up with a thunderous knee as Pedro tries to stand. Goodridge pounces on his fallen opponent and finishes him off with a flurry of punches until Pedro taps. Winner, Gary Goodridge? But what happened? A closer inspection of the video reveals that as the men grappled into the corner on the standup, Gary deftly slipped his *hand* into Pedro's "marble-bag" Speedos and actually applied the DREADED SCROTUM CLAW, illegal in 44 states and Puerto Rico, but thankfully not banned in Brazil by anything more official than simply athletic courtesy. Imagine having a professional

arm-wrestler putting the squeeze on Los Juevos, and you'll be amazed that Pedro even had the (*ahem*) testicular fortitude to continue. A disgraceful and hollow victory for 'Big Naddy' Goodridge as The Pedro refuses to shake his hand and limps gingerly to the locker room where he has a date with an ice pack and all the painkillers you can throw at him. Rumor has it that it took The Pedro almost a full week until he stopped talking like a Latino Mr Hankey.

Michinoku Pro on Samurai TV 4/11/99
(SCHNEIDER)

Michinoku Pro is on quite the resurgent hotstreak. With Sasuke and Naniwa returning to form since their injuries, an influx of crazy Indy fliers, and CRAZY MAX ruling the spot, MPRO is putting out their best product since the height of the KDX(1) days.

Perro Russo v. Wellington Wilkins Jr.

Battle of white boy power wrestlers. Wilkins(2) is kind of a poor man's Buddy Lee Parker (3) as he works pretty stiff, and kind of beats the crap out of Russo. Wilkins busts out some nasty European uppercuts, a swank belly to belly suplex and a nice superplex. Russo STINKS, and contributes nothing, sans some laughter, in the form of the worlds worst victory roll. Wilkins gets the win with a torture rack neckbreaker.
Gets the full Worldwide point.

Cosmic Soldier + Zorro v. Gran Hamada + Tiger Mask IV

This was pretty fun. Cosmic Soldier is a crazy highflyer from the seedy underbelly of Japanese Wrestling (4), Zorro is Victor Quinounes's special friend (5), while Hamada and Tiger Mask IV should be well known by all. The erratic Tiger Mask is ruling it on this night, beating the poop out of the young Cosmic Soldier, Hamada is his usual dependently ruling self, Cosmic Soldier is all nuts, and hits the swank Shiryu style tope-con-hilo. The turd in the soup is Zorro, as he completely stinks up the spot, including hitting an awful frog splash, a sub Renegade springboard elbow, and most egregiously, he basically no-sells a top rope stunner by Hamada (6). The un-Zorro-stained portions are fine wrestling however.

Super Boy v. Pilota Suicida

These guys both spend most of their time in Southern California Lucha indies, so they are quite familiar with each other. Spot festy with Superboy (7) bumping like a freak for the mediocre Piloto, as well as doing some highspots which are amazing for a man of that girth. The big spots include a big plancha and tope con hilo from Suicida, and an amazing Asai moonsault and blind tope headbut by the porculant Superboy. Some of the stuff in between the big spots was sloppy, but the big spots were big.

Jinsei Shinzaki v. Pablo Marquez

After being gone for a while Shinsucky returns (8), in all of his lazy glory against the erstwhile Babu. Pablo

tries, but Jinsei is giving him nothing. Jinsei does both an extended chinlock and an extended nerve pinch in a 6 minute match. POOOOO

Great Sasuke + TAKA Michinoku + Gran Naniwa v. Shiima Nobanaga + Sumo Fuji + Judo Suwa(9)

This was the best match in Michinoku Pro since Kaientai left(10) . Mercy, this ruled, Great Sasuke is making a run at Wrestler of the Year, as he is FEELING IT lately. CRAZY MAX busts out all their goofy triple teams, triple face dropkick, assisted face slam, and something which is basically undecipherable (11). There is an amazingly great exchange between Judo and Sasuke with Sasuke being fast as all hell, and graceful as all fuck. Judo also shows why he is the hidden jewel of the Toryuman boys by being the super rudo and making Sasuke look even better (12). Shiima and TAKA have a great exchange too, as the future of cocky dicks meets the legend (13), I want a 15 year feud. They had the prerequisite million nearfalls section (14), which leads into Sasuke and TAKA trying to out kill each other with insane highspots (15). Damn fun match which had all you could want from a classic Michinoku style 6-man, wads of triple teams, bunches of cool powermoves, classic dickness, sweet hot DEATH, more fun than a house full of hookers. YOU WANT DIS.

Michinoku Pro "How Is It?" Commercial Tape (Part One)
(THE OTHER PHIL)

Early Michinoku Pro is sooooo weird to watch. Everyone looks completely different - mostly really young. So this bad boy was just begging to be reviewed but it is like 14 shows in one so I had to break it into two parts.

Tape opens with highlights of the endings of a couple of random matches. (1)

Shinsaki/Damien 666 vs. The Predator/Yone Genjin

The Predator is about the 417 best luchadore. His mask is that of the alien from ALIEN. Cool. This match is clipped to all hell and I am not complaining at all. It is your standard comedy match as Genjin and Damien trade idiot spots. (2) Shinsaki seems to be repelled at the thought of being in these types of matches. That of course is really entertaining since he is ALWAYS in these types of matches. He at least gets the pinfall as the Predator falls victim to the praying headbutt.

Terry Boy vs. Sabu

Hey, I never knew that Mr. Clutch and Grab wrestled in MPro. I'm not surprised though. Terry Boy is Men's Teioh is super happy face mode. The match is clipped to a point where Sabu hits a split-legged moonsault and tope con hilo. Sabu goes for the table and it backfires as Terry Boy moves. They spend an inordinate amount of time breaking pieces of the table off to hit each

other with. I guess you could consider it a creative rest hold. Sabu wins with a slingshot moonsault. Next.

Damien 666 vs. Gran Naniwa

Hey, I wonder if Naniwa is willing to lay down in this match. (3) Naniwa has stunk ever since he returned from his broken leg. Well, Naniwa stunk when he was young too. Thanks to clipping and Yone Genjin interference, this match ends fairly early. Damien wins with a tombstone.

TAKA Michinoku vs. Yone Genjin

Man, Genjin is all over this tape. (4) Whoever is editing this tape sure has a weird idea of what to clip and what to leave in. We are brought to the point in the match where Yone is biting TAKA's ass. When then get an extended chinlock. If this is making the cut, I hate to think of what didn't make it. Young TAKA gets things rolling by hitting the springboard plancha. He goes to the well one time to many as he does a plancha to nothing. Genjin gets about as highflying as he is going to doing a splash of the top turnbuckle. TAKA gets the advantage by hitting the one-two punch of a belly-to-belly suplex and a Northern Lights suplex. TAKA tries a standing rana but that gets blocked into a powerbomb. The second time is the charm as he hits the rana and then follows it up with a La Magistral for the win. The match really got better as it went along.

Great Sasuke/Terry Boy/Shiryu vs. Yone Genjin/Gran Naniwa/Shinzaki

Still haven't had a complete match on this tape and I kinda wish that this one was. This was the usually blend of great wrestling mixed with the comedy spots that you are used to seeing in 6-mans. The worst part of this match is that the keeping clipping away from the wrestling to show Yone Genjin comedy. Hey look, I am going to no sell two DDT's but stepping on my fingers and toes will really hurt. MERRY FUCKING CHRISTMAS! The clipping finally stops right before the highspot train. It starts with a Terry Boy tope of Shinsaki. (5) Naniwa and Shiryu each hit planchas. Yone just kinda jumps off the ring apron. Which leaves Sasuke to do the Asai moonsault. That was pretty crazy but not a crazy as the stereo highspots that Sasuke and Shiryu do. Sasuke does a wildly out of control tope con hilo while Shiryu completes the middle rope tope with little room to spare. Shinsaki gets his second win of the tape as he hits the Holy combo (6) on Terry Boy for the win. This sets up a singles match between the two that I will get to next week.

TAKA vs. Jado

Expertly reviewed by Schneider in DVDR #82

Great Sasuke/Ultimo Dragon vs. Shinsaki/Gedo

Man you have the Great Sasuke and the Ultimo Dragon in the same match and your proceed to clip it to all hell. What the fuck? The show almost nothing. But the do show the important part. Sasuke nearly dying as he overshoots Shinsaki by a country mile with a moonsault to floor. Dragon then hits a skytwister press (or at least as close as he will ever come to it) for the win.

AAA Rey of Reyes (SCHNEIDER)

After watching the first batch of recent AAA I got, I was steadfast in my belief it was probably the worst wrestling federation on earth. Immobile fossils(1), talent less teen stuntmen(2), and oiled promoter concubines(3), dressed in garish and ridiculous costumes competing in weak ass brawls which appear to be booked by Paul Heyman on Mescaline. However this little Rey De Reyes tourney wasn't that bad(4), having some close-to-tolerable wrestling, with a nice performance sprinkled here and there, so maybe I need to move AAA up a notch.(5)

Hijo Del Solitario v. Albrije v. Espectro Jr. v. Octagon

Sort of an inauspicious start, Hijo Del Solitario is kind of the David Flair of Mexico (6) i.e his dad rules, he sucks. Albrije is in a psychedelic purple bug costume with wings which is quite AAA in the way a costume

can be described as AAA. Espectro Jr. is a fine workman like midcarder, and Octagon has been wrestling the same exact match for 10 years(7). Not much of worth, except some okay mat work from Espectro and Octagon. Solitario plays inept rudo, Octagon does his schtick and gets the Octagon submission(8) on Espectro for the final elimination.

Mascara Sagrada v. Abismo Negro v. Dos Caras v. Cibernetico

Mascara Sagrada is to Lucha like Doink in to U.S. Indies(9), Abismo Negro is the ex-Winner's and is a member of one of the 1000 heel stables in AAA(10), Dos Caras is a legitimate legend and the winner of the world's most preposterous arsenal of submissions: Master Class (11), Cibernetico is the Mexican Psycho Sid

(12). Actually some pretty good wrestling with Caras being real spunky for an MARP (13) member. Sagrada does a nice Ultimo headscissors, Abismo does a sweet somersault of the ring apron to nowhere, Dos Caras busts out a goofy submission, Cibernetico and Caras exchange some super fast roll ups before Cibernetico gets the win with a small package. Not great, but better then expected.

Oscar Sevilla v. Apache v. The Panther v. Latin Lover

Fun little match. Sevilla (14) sort of looks like the real deal doing a bunch of quick headscissors and diving ranas, and super freaked out roll ups, he also hits a pretty graceful tope. Apache is the fucking bomb, he La

Tapatiaed Moses, but he is still spunky as hell, not afraid to fly around and hit the dickish short dropkicks to the face. A real fun oldster rudo, who I hadn't seen before, sort of a unmasked rudo Super Astro. The Panther is right there not blowing anything. Latin Lover does his dance (15), but actually does some okay wrestling too, including the ring apron handstand, headscissors take over. Panther takes out Apache as he turns his Dragon rana into a powerbomb, but the mediocre feline is felled by a Latin Lover inside cradle. The best AAA match I have seen in a while.

Pentagon v. Electroshock v. Blue Demon Jr. v. El Canek

This is the 4th or 5th Pentagon and he ain't as good as the original (16), Blue Demon Jr. is very okay, but he ain't Blue Demon Sr.(17) by a long shot, Electroshock has the choice Hannibal

Lecter mask and takes some nice midrange bumps. El Canek(18) is as old as the hills, but is feeling it tonight. Electroshock and Pentagon 2K start with some nice quick exchanges. Canek hits a Mid-Atlantic slow headscissors, and tosses Electroshock to the floor (19) where he hits an old school as the Furious Five tope (20). Canek and Electroshock mix it up, with Electroshock getting the big upset after Canek misses a spinning senton. Weird to see Canek so spry, ended up being a nice match.

Electroshock v. Octagon v. Cibernetico v. Latin Lover

Ick, Pena's suckier booking tendencies take over as he Ed Ferreira's the hell out of the final. Electroshock does some comedy spots (21), Pentagon attacks some Moreno sister or something causing Octagon to get counted out. World's crappiest ref bump, and a Cibernetico foul on Latin Lover (22) gets the crappiest guy in the whole tournament the win. He celebrates with Los Vatocectoviperlocos and AAA leaves the expected bad taste in your mouth.(23)

SINGLES GETTING LUCKY (RIP OWEN HART) (1)

We decided instead of crying cybertears over his death, we would celebrate his life, by watching some of his great matches. Owen was one of the true greats in this sport and he has left us with quite a legacy of quality professional wrestling.

Owen Hart v. Pegasus Kid-06/26/90
(Schneider)

This was during the period when Owen was arguably on of the top three or four workers in the world. Both guys were sporting bad earlier 90's Canadian hair(2). It started hot, with Beniot press slamming Hart out to the floor, with Hart landing right on his knee. Beniot was deeply into his Dynamitcito Kid phase as nearly all of his offense was out of Dynamite's playbook. There was lots of intricate mat reversals including an Owen flip out of a snap mare, into a flip out of a backdrop into a victory roll sequence, which was breathtaking in it's complexity. Owen also did an armbar reversal which had him leap on the top rope from the ring in one motion. Lots of back and forth action, including a great Beniot pescada which wedged Hart between the safety rail. Owen also hit the world's greatest moonsault(3). The ending was super choice as Beniot hit the top rope backdrop suplex to get the win. This is the only Chris Beniot match I have ever seen when he was clearly the inferior wrestler(4). Hart was so quick, forceful and athletic in his prime it was a true pleasure to watch.

Owen Hart vs. Bret Hart - Wrestlemania X -3/20/94
(THE RIPPER)

I really wanted to review the cage match from THE SUMMERSLAM (5) which got 5 stars. I have never seen it and thought that it might be a good time to watch it. Unfortunately, neither Blockbuster or Hollywood Video have it, so I am doing the next best thing: The Hart brothers SUPER-spectacular opener from Wrestlemania X. This match got slightly overshadowed by the ladder match later on the card but this match still kicks ass. Bret's super over and Owen just wants to kill him. Crowd loves Bret, hates Owen. Real traditional face/heel breakdown. You

never see that anymore. During the match, these two do everything to make Stu and Canada proud. There are big batches of psychology as they mimic each others' moves, all the while setting up the race for the sharpshooter. By my rough count, there was 16 two counts in the match (6). Two things to watch are: the sequence where Owen suplexes Bret into the ring, which gets reversed into a waistlock, which gets reversed into a German suplex that is absolutely mindblowing in its beauty. The other thing is seeing Owen breaking the Five Moves with the enzuigiri. Of course, nothing tops the ending as Owen pins Bret CLEAN AS A MOTHERFUCKING SHEET. The Madison Square Garden crowd is stunned and Owen celebrates like he just stole a kiss from the Homecoming Queen. Keep watching for Owen's victory interview after which he mumbles on with snot hanging out of his nose. (7)

Owen Hart/Keichi Yamada vs. Great Gama/Makham Singh (Stampede)
(THE RIPPER)

We'll talk about running the freakin' gamut. The youngest Hart brother and the man who would be Jushin Liger versus well... umm.... those fat, old guys. Man, that is a way to start a career. Carrying loads like Makham Singh (8) and the Great Gama to watchable matches. Anyway, the basic premise should be familiar to you now. The faces dominate the heels. The only way the heels can get offense is to cheat. So, Yamada is the FIP when the heels gain the advantage. There is lots of Singh playing the "Hide the Foreign Object in the Rolls of Fat" Game. Owen gets the hot tag and clears the ring. There is a nice point where Owen hits a missile dropkick which Yamada follows up with his own. Owen also does a lot of that spinning foot scrap thing that Eddy Guerrero does that was supposedly taken from Bruce Lee. Typically screwy Stampede ending as Jerry Morrow runs out, piledrives Yamada twice on the floor and then jumps Owen. Beat down continues until Viet Cong #1 aka Hiro Hase hits the ring to break things up. Aaahh, how far you had come Owen. RIP Owen. You are in a better place now.

Owen Hart v. Jushin Liger 4/28/91
(Schneider)

This match was JIP (9) like most New Japan Juniors matches (10). Bunches of good ol' fashioned psychology in the beginning with Liger working over the back with strikes and La Tapatia. Owen fights back with his king sized German Suplex. Owen then leans into a kappo kick like a man. World greatest moonsault for a near fall, Owen climbs to the top again and is met by Liger, who absolutely kills him with a top rope DDT for the win (11). This match showed how much Owen excelled at selling, he leaned into all of Liger's strikes, sold his back well and took a super dangerous bump on the top rope DDT. Owen ruled it.

Dean Rassmussen Braying Jackass

Deanie loves Tommy

From Death Valley Driver #5

"I then watched Dreamer's match with Funk against Raven and Cactus Jack in ECW and- c'mon gals and guys!- Tommy was born to be a garbage wrestler. He was brilliant in that match! Funk and Cactus did

their usual world class brawling and Raven did the touching halo of barbed wire Tribute to Matsunaga.:) From a wrestling standpoint, Dreamer is Onita-like in the feigning of technical wrestling but you can tell he is really into the violent end of it. I'm just glad that Tommy Dreamer has found a niche that he finds rewarding and that he realized his lot in life before did something really stupid, like wallow in midcard status in the big two in Japan and The US of A for the rest of his career. The world can use an American Masato Tanaka, but, hey, one Tom Zenk was enough (God bless him). We're looking at a new worldwide trend of better wrestlers getting mixed up in the garbage leagues and, hell, I'm all for it. Garbage wrestling isn't going to go away so they might as well try and make it into something cool (as opposed to just sick); if you stick enough talented and semi-talented guys into it, an actual, credible style may come out of it. If that ever reaches fruition, then FMW and ECW won't be so apologetic to the normal organizations when it comes to defending the more excessive aspects of their matches and can say it works on its own terms. I don't see people coming down on Lucha Libre because three guys sometimes pin one guy at one time. It works in the realm of Lucha Libre so to hell with everybody else; it works on its own terms, it doesn't matter if anybody thinks it's wrong, that's the style and that's that. It's a staple of the style. If these talented young punks in ECW and FMW work out a credible style over a period of time, they can have the same privilege and it won't be compared to regular pro style. It will be its own style and have its own rules. It has to get past the point of being chumps who can't actually wrestle so they hit each other with chairs; It has to reach the point where it is wrestlers who decide to expand the repertoire at their disposal to include violent elements outside the normal pro style, but use them in addition to, as opposed to "as in place of", wrestling skill. FMW is reaching that point with its young guys, why shouldn't the US have its own vanguard, with Dreamer at the point. "

I can just see Dean now, sitting on a urine and sweat stained couch one hand on a bag of Bugles one hand checking his Ebay bid on Sunny's implants, while he chants ECW! ECW! ECW!

And so we bid you adieu, dear Friends of Foghat, until our next adventure into the international world of combat sports and professional wrestling. In closing, I'd like to make a humble plea to those of you out there who have emailed me on the subject of the purile and rudimentary writing skills found on display over at the Wakenhut of DVD-Hollandaise. My advice to you is this - never, under any circumstances, read a Hollandaise edition immediately following one from Foghat. Without several days to clear your mind, it is unavoidable for you to realize that the quality and degree of rhetorical sophistication found at DVD-Foghat cannot be duplicated by our imposters. To so closely compare the merits of our prose and that of the wannabes at DVD-Baconfat would without question lead to an up swelling of populist support demanding that these ignoramuses take their limp-wristed attempts at prosaic witticism and send them back to the elementary schoolyards from whence they came. And frankly, given how little those DVD-Pretendaz have going for them, I can't in good conscience subject them to yet another source of criticism. DVD Foghat - The DVD That Cares.

NEXT TIME: ISSUE 100, lots of surprises, you all just wait.

FOOTNOTES BABY

Intro

- (1) Oral and Vaginal BTW
- (2) Hardcover - 320 pages 1 Ed edition (May 1999) Little Brown & Company;
- (3) See we at DVDR FOGHAT are literary, we read more then just the back of HoHo's wrappers and Alt.Sex.Fetish.Scat stories
- (3a) I.E our boys at Hollendaise
- (4) Which is Southern U.S. Wrestling LUCHA STYLE
- (5) Which is Japanese Puroresu LUCHA STYLE
- (6) IBID
- (7) Which is AAA for you youngbloods.
- (8) Which is Lutre Livre which is kind of like LUCHA LIBRE

OMEGA (Handheld) - Samford, NC 11/8/97

- (1) Well, with the Hardy's new push, Shane "THE BOMB" Helms, Shannon Moore, Christian York, Joey Matthews all working Music City (amongst other places) and Venom supposedly in WWF training camp, I think OMEGA is officially dead. They had two dates in April that were canceled and I haven't heard about any new dates. We will see.
- (2) A reverse neckbreaker thingy that Tommy Rodgers used as his finisher in ECW.
- (3) The Duke of NY is Allan Barrie for anyone who cares.
- (4) Venom hoists Willow up and since Jeff Hardy supersells everything, he is about 10 feet in the air, madly kicking his feet before crashing to the mat and selling the chokeslam like his back was broken.
- (5) Maximum Carnage = Fuma & Hydra. Serial Thrillaz = Mike Maverick & Shane "THE BOMB" Helms. Brimstone/Barnett = Two flaming piles of shit.
- (6) Things like napping, jumping jacks, push-ups, drinking a beverage, taking photos with the fans - things like that.
- (7) You might know it better as a TKO. You know, the thing Marc Mero used to do. Remember Marc Mero. The man who left WCW because the angles weren't "Christian -like" and now his woman is preparing to do her second Playboy shoot.
- (8) While facing the crowd, jump off the top rope back into the ring over opponents shoulders and then hit the hurricarana.
- (9) It was reminiscent of that time when Psychosis had to no sell the moonsault off the ladder.
- (10) See Piper/Hart from Wrestlemania 8.

Naimark World o' Shootin

- (1) That picture of Rev Ray's girlfriend on Phil's homepage doesn't count

- (2) Gary Goodridge has competed in professional arm-wrestling tournaments for most of the decade, and has performed well at an elite level. Goodridge holds a flash win over Cleave Dean, considered to be the best arm-wrestler of the modern era
- (3) Varelans then fought Tank Abbott in the next fight, which is best known for Tank saying, "You'd better stop [the videotape], I'm getting sexually aroused" after watching himself pound Varelans's face to a bloody pulp
- (4) Coleman was not visible at ringside, where he can usually be found at Brazilian events screaming at the fans and making veins pop out of his tongue
- (5) Upon further review of the video, they may have been right, as I don't see Goodridge doing anything that would force Worsham to quit.
- (6) Rest assured that when you hear the DVD Pretendaz talk about 'hand control', they're opening up another can of sardines altogether.
- (7) Much like a certain overrated American MMA'er whose name rhymes with 'Spam Sock'
- (8) Goodridge is no boxer by any standards, but has to be considered one of the most explosive strikers in MMA. He hit Oleg Taktarov so hard in Japan that I honestly feared for Oleg's brain.
- (9) Get it, Pedrophiles? Aw c'mon, who cares what Jerry Lawler says, its FUNNY!

Michinoku Pro on Samurai TV 4/11/99

- (1) Kaientai Deluxe for those who don't know
- (2) Who may or may not be Beef Wellington, reports are mixed
- (3) Who is himself a poor man's Fit Finlay, so that makes Wilkin's Finlay twice removed
- (4) He matriculates in D2T, ZIPANG, IWA Restart, Shin FMW and places like that.
- (5) Which makes him the bag man for the multinational three pronged global conspiracy orchestrated by a cabal of Homosexual promoters to take over the world of Japanese, Mexican and Puerto Rican wrestling, thus using their influence to keep girls from going out with Zach Arnold
- (6) Not really in the belligerent Road Warrior Hawk way, but more in the incompetent Rob Van Dam way
- (7) Who also wrestles as the Convict in MPRO
- (8) Jinsei Shinzaki does kind of a Muto/Muta gimmick with Shinzaki wrestling in great fucking matches with Misawa and Mr. Gannoseke, and Shinsucky his alter ego wrestling in turdburgers like this.
- (9) aka CRAZY MAX
- (10) This match is also 3rd in my MOTY balloting behind Sasuke v. Magnum Tokyo and Misawa v. Kawada
- (11) Although I'll try, Judo holds Sasuke, while Shiima does a cartwheel which places his feet on Sumo's Shoulders (like he is headscissoring his own partner) then he lifts himself up a puts Sasuke in a front face lock, then Sumo throws Shiima's legs off of his shoulders swinging Shiima into a spinning DDT on Sasuke. It looks even more preposterous then it sounds.

(12) For example he steps into Sasuke's tope-con-hilo and for the first time, it looks like it hurts the opponent more then it hurts Sasuke.

(13) They have a dickishness contest too, with Shiima doing a surfboard with a CRAZY MAX crotch chop

(13a) Kind of like he is whacking off a 10 foot dick

(14) Which included the world's greatest frog splash by Shiima

(15) Sasuke checks in with a Top Rope Twisting Springboard Psicosis Senton, TAKA trumps him with the Super Quebrada into a skytwister press

(15a) Which he kills himself DEAD with

Michinoku Pro "How Is It?" Commercial Tape (Part One)

(1) Lots of "Where Are They Now" type guys. You know the ones who have a hard time staying in their tights because they are so fat.

(2) Like threaten the fans and hitting each other with a sombrero.

(3) A few years back, these two wrestled in the first round of the Super J. If Damien won, he would get to wrestle his idol Jushin Liger. Naniwa refused to do the job. Stupid punk kid.

(4) This is not a good thing.

(5) Why Shinsaki was on the outside and Yone Genjin made the cut, I will never know. Maybe he is sleeping with the producer.

(6) The praying powerbomb and the praying headbutt.

AAA

(1)Perro Aguayo anyone?

(2) I am looking at you AAA Psicosis.

(3) Latin Lover, you ears are burning

(4)Rey De Reyes is a series of four 4-Corners matches, with the winners meeting in a 4-Corners match. They do it every year.

(5)MCW slides back down to the gutter where they belong.

(6)Or David Sammartino, or Chris Von Erich, or Angelo Mosca Jr.

(7)He doesn't have Fuerza Guerrera around to make him look good either

(8)Sitting abdominal stretch

(9)I.E There are 7000 of them

(10) Los Vatos Locos, Los Insectos, Los Nuevos Payasos, Los Vipers, Los bunch of guys in bad costumes who are shadows of the originals.

(11) Dr. Cerebro leads up the current division.

(12)Cibernetico is wearing short shorts which show off his needle pocked ass.

(13) Mexican Association of Retired Persons

(14) Who is dressed in an incredibly fey, bull fighters outfit, thus revealing another Antonio Pena fetish

(15) As a fat man in Mrs. Rassmussen's basement in Richmond, sprays from the love hose.

- (16) The original Pentagon, ODeD during Ultimo Dragons AAA debut match, not only did AAA broadcast the match, they had slow mo replays of the death, in a move that made the continuation of the Over the Edge PPV, down right Judith Martinesque
- (17) Probably the greatest worker in Lucha history
- (18) Canek was a huge Lucha drawing card in the 1980's for the UWA he defeated Andre The Giant, took Owen Hart's mask ect.
- (19) With Da Shock taking a nice bump
- (20) At this point I am pretty sure this is AAA Canek, or El Hijo Del Canek or something
- (21) Although he does do a baseball slide bump to the floor
- (22) As Dean turns green with envy, as he can only dream of touching Latin Lover's package
- (23) Pena is an expert in leaving bad tastes

Owen Hart Tribute

(1) We decided to dedicate this singles going steady to the memory of Owen Hart, but Naimark had already done this fine review of an U.S. Indy shootstyle match so we are sticking that here.

(1a) American Kickboxer (5'7 150lbs, Karate/shooto) v Dean Smythe (5'10 170 wrestling)
 Longtime indy fans might remember The American Kickboxer from his red-hot feud with Tarek The Great, which garnered the Wrestling Lariat's 1996 Indy Feud of the Year and won the Kickboxer the 1996 Indy High-Flier of the year. What these seasoned indy watchers don't know is that The American Kickboxer is a highly trained martial-artist who learned at the knee of none other than Dr Jim Thomas, head coach of the U.S. National Karate Team. This match takes place in Richmond, Indiana at the 'MMAC Arena' inside one of the most bizarre fighting rings ever - a 10-ft octagon with the fencing reaching from floor to ceiling all around. It's a brilliant idea, but will never catch on for bigger event due to the poor camera angles afforded by the cage. Dean Smythe has actually made quite a name for himself as a pro-wrestler in recent years, competing under a mask through the Southern areas in a gimmick I agreed not to divulge in the interests of what little kayfabe still exists in wrestling today. Smythe has size over kickboxer and his background as a state-level amateur wrestler. Dr Thomas himself is refereeing the match, and Kickboxer wears his US Team gi pants to the Octagon. Smythe opens with a quick shoot, dodging a front kick from the Kickboxer and driving him back to the fence where he attempts to drag his opponent to the ground. Kickboxer hangs on to the fence to maintain balance, and Smythe breaks off the grapple and returns to the center of the ring. Smythe shoots again, this time with a double-leg, and takes Kickboxer to the ground. His guard time and the smaller Kickboxer keeps forcing Smythe's knees back away from him with his legs to keep him off balance. Smythe gets wise to this tactic and uses Kickboxer's shoves to help him pass the guard into side-mount. Kickboxer immediately gives up his back but makes sure to grab a wrist and he turtles up to maintain hand control. Smythe attempts some minor offense before Kickboxer manages to crawl to his feet, still holding the wrist, as the men break. Kickboxer circles and throws a couple of showy kicks which are in no danger of landing. Smythe suddenly shoots, but makes a classic amateur wrestler's mistake of dropping to a knee and moving forward when the initial shoot doesn't give him a solid grip on his opponent. With surprisingly fluidity, Kickboxer throws a blistering left whip-kick that connects solidly with the ear of Smythe, followed immediately by a right round kick to the sternum/clavicle that knocks the

bigger man sprawling! Referee Thomas halts the match to inspect Smythe, who seems shaken but otherwise unharmed, and the fight resumes after maybe 2 minutes. On the restart Smythe is clearly trying to stay out of striking range against the superior striker, holding his head back and flinching with every feint. Kickboxer feints a kick and shoots for the waistlock, but gets countered and powered to the fence. Kickboxer turns his back on Smythe to grab the fence, but isn't quick enough as Smythe takes advantage of his rear waistlock position to execute a sloppy but undoubtedly effective German plex. Smythe maintains the waistlock and pulls Kickboxer to his feet for yet another German plex, Severn v Macias style. This one looked crisper, sending Kickboxer's legs flying over his head on impact. Smythe still hasn't relinquished the waistlock, and appears to be getting set for yet another plex, when Kickboxer flails at the fence before literally disappearing from camera view! A few seconds later we're back in the ring and Kickboxer has a kneebar on Smythe and is cranking like his ass depended on it. Smythe vainly tries to grab an ankle and work the old shooto 'dueling leglocks' spot, but can't get the pressure and taps. Winner, and sporting a bloody nose, The American Kickboxer! But what happened? As Smythe pulled Kickboxer close enough to attempt the German plex, Kickboxer rolled forward and hit a picturesque Tartarkin roll into a kneebar, the same combination of moves used by Bill Goldberg and Ken Shamrock in pro-graps matches. All the Russian Sambo fans in the house go wild as Kickboxer delicately inspects his nose and probably gives thanks that no promoter in America would ask a wrestler to get nose color.

(2)Hart was sporting a poof-cum-mullet and Beniot had the blond hair permishly coming out the back of the mask.

(3)Beniot was real close to the turnbuckle and Hart had to rotate really quickly to land on him

(4)Except those Gama Singh classics in Stampede of course.

(5) TM Bret Hart

(6) I think I got them all but they were flying by so quickly I might have missed one or two or 30.

(7) As a general note when watching Wrestlemania X, watch opening match. Fast forward to Ladder Match.

(8) For someone as crappy as Makham Singh aka Norman the Lunatic aka Bastion Booger was, he must be mentioned to be a member of TWO great heel stables: Karachi Vice and the Cartel.

(9) Joined in Progress

(10) New Japan treats their juniors as bad as WWF- TV Time wise

(11) Owen sold it like an Evenflow, i.e. he landed mostly on his face instead of flipping over, it ended up being a nasty head and neck bump.